

615 Alice St.
Port Clinton, O.
43452
Ph 419 734 1923

Dear Grover,
Enclosed find some pencil rubbings of a
Peace medal that I have for sale.
The medal is about 1 1/2" diameter, brass,
made in two pieces, has ring for thong.
Dated 1843, Pres. Buchanan (bust), outer
rim has legend "Pierre Chouteau Jr & Co.
Upper Missouri Outfit" rev. has "Peace
and Friendship" with clasped hands &
crossed tomahawk & pipe.
The die shows a crack just at the head
of Buchanan and I understand that few
were made due to that.
I am told that this piece brought a
very good auction price. I want \$400.
for it.

Advise if you can handle this for me.
I think that I have a small bill with
you. Can you advise.
I hope that this finds you in good
health, and doing well.
I plan to get some golf in Apr. 7th
at Myrtle Beach, S.C. for a week.
Let me know if interested in this
piece, Grover.
Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

Frank Crosby

3-28-84

AUTHOR - HISTORIAN - NUMISMATIST

904 685-2287 OR 685-2358

SUBJECT Medal

Good to speak with you on the phone. I am enclosing herewith the medal I spoke to you about. Your opinion please?

Grover C. Criswell

GCC:nh

Enc: 1

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

May 15, 1984

Mr. Grover C. Criswell
Route 2, Box 1085
Ft. McCoy, FL 32637

Dear Grover:

I have carefully studied the 1843 Pierre Chouteau Indian Peace Medal you sent for an opinion. There is a split in the center of the edge and that center line of the edge is like the crown of a roof with sides sloping to each face. The piece is composed of two faces. Each has a different color, the obverse being black and the reverse shiny. The support loop helps to hold both together.

I have compared it to three genuine pieces I have found in the books and each of these is smaller in diameter because the submitted piece has what appears to be a clamping ring around the edge. However, the clamping ring is not a real ring as it is an integral part of the casting of the medal itself. This can be observed where the border beading and the clamping ring are close together. Particularly, the fusion can be observed where the loop is supposedly soldered to the medal at TEA. The letters are part of the loop solder and not separate.

The original was pewter and this is also a cast of a genuine Chouteau medal which had been placed in a clamping ring and thus this is a copy.

Because it is not genuine, the museum here would like to have it for display. What do you suggest?

I hope I have been helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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COL. GROVER C. CRISWELL

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TO Eric P Newman
6450 Cecil Ave
St Louis MO 63105

DATE

6/7/84

SUBJECT

Dear Eric:

Have talked to the owner of the medal twice and he insists his absolute best price on same is \$400.00 and that I should either send him a check for that amount or return said medal, so guess the ball is in your court.

As always I am

Most sincerely yours,



Grover C. Criswell

GC/jd

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TO

Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave
St Louis MO 63105

DATE

8/24/84

SUBJECT

Dear Eric:

The Guy on the medal is bugging me. He won't take my two items in trade so I have got to either send him \$400.00 or you could send it to him direct or call him direct and see if you could do better. Otherwise just please return the medal to him.

Thanks,


Grover C. Criswell

GC/jd
encl

cc: Hank Jacoby

CORNWELL'S
P.O. BOX 100, P.A. 3307

INVOICE

Mark Jacoby

618 Alden St

Port Clinton OH 43452

INVOICE
NO.

4/2/84

INVOICE
DATE

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ORDER NO.	YOUR ORDER NO.	SALESMAN	TERMS	SHIPPED VIA	PPD OR COLL
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Dear Hank:					PRICE
Nice to talk to you on the phone. I found the other 45 minatures and enclose the two herewith.					AMOUNT
Best,					
Grover					
2	45 automatic minatures				200 00
	5/14/84				400 00
Dear Grover,					
I am returning the above minatures by separate cover. As I said in my last letter I was going to give them another try, but minatures dont go here. The peices are of fine workmanship but no one wants them at the figure.					

FORM 952-A, REVISED FROM GARY VANG CO., INC., BROOKLYN, NY 11252

Dear Grover,

I havent heard from you regarding the Peace medal. Can you advise me as to its status at this time?
If you cant sell it please, return.

Hank

8/21/84

9/23/84

615 A lice St.
Port Clinton, Ohio 43452
Ph 419 734 1923
(after 4:30PM EST)

Dear Sir,

Grover Criswell who has helped me sell off some of my medlas, advises that you are holding my P.Chouteau medal at this time.

If you have decided not to purchase it please, return to me, and I shall refund your cost of shipping. However if you still want it, please send a certified check or money order.

If you are interested in some fine Indian items I also have the following:

ARAPAHO WAR SHIELD. 23" buffalo hide shield, with shoulder sling still there. The design in earth colors is a human hand with a bear paw in the palm. Has a small beaded bag (Medicine pouch) with a dried bat (beaded) I can send you a sketch of the piece if interested. Price \$550.00

MISSOURI WAR AX, hand forged tomhawk of the style, has circle in center, the handle is diamond shaped and is decorated with scalps, beaded, and brass tacks. \$295.00

MEDICINE MANS QUILT, decorated with beadwork, and albino buffalo tail, \$285.00

BREASTPLATE, with history, made of bone and decorated with old beads. \$450.00

PIPE BAG, beaded with quill work panel, 15" overall, and I understand that this type was used by a warrior on the war path or hunt. It is not a large bag. \$285.00

POWDER POUCH, made of rawhide, decorated with beads, has the peace insignia on it of clasped hands. \$275.00

LEDGER DRAWINGS:

Four warriors sitting in counsel in front of ~~highways~~ tips \$225.00

BEAR JAW KNIFE, w/ scabbard, contemporary Western Shoshone has trade beads decoration, inlaid turquoise in pommel, bear skrimshaw on the bone. \$375.00

Refund on anything that dont suit if returned within a week of receipt.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely,


H. Jacoby

P.S.

Have a nice MISSOURI AX with cut-out heart in blade, "gumped" edge of blade, has been painted red, but mostly gone from rust heaving it, handle not contemporary with piece. \$200.00

HJ

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

September 7, 1984

Mr. Hank Jacoby
615 Alice Street
Port Clinton, Ohio 43452

Dear Mr. Jacoby:

Grover Criswell was nice enough to send me the Chouteau Medal and I concluded that it was not a genuine original piece. I want to place it on exhibit in a museum and thought that the price was high for a false item.

Why don't you reduce the price of it so that I can buy it and let the museum have it.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman

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P.S. Thank you for your interesting list of Indian items which you have for sale. I will show this to a friend as I know nothing about Indian lore.

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615 Alice St.
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12/12/84

Dear Sir,

It has been since Sept. 7th since I have heard from you on the medal you have from Grover which is my property. Can you advise if you are going to return it, and when.

I have other people interested in the item, and we are awaiting the return.

I appreciate your concern in my other items, anyway to the extent that you turn the list over to them. I have not heard from them either.

I might say that I have learned much from the experience, and will never let out an item to anyone else unless they do as I have done, pay for it.

Yours sincerely,


Hank Jacoby

Oct 17, 1988
6450 Cecil Ave
St Louis Mo 63105

Hank Jacoby
615 Alice St
Port Clinton, Ohio 43452

Dear Mr. Jacoby:

I am sorry you are disturbed over the Chouteau medal matter. It is not genuine and I presume you do not dispute that. What value a copy has, if any, is most doubtful.

Because we can put it in a display as a copy and because of the delay we caused we are enclosing a check for \$300 in payment for it. If that is not satisfactory we will gladly return the medal to you.

Sincerely yours

ERIC P. NEWMAN
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